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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

DAVID E. BARAFF et al.

Application No.: 09/750,100

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: THE INERTIAL FIELD
GENERATOR: A METHOD FOR
CONTROLLABLY COUPLING
KINEMATIC CHARACTER MOTIONS
TO DYNAMICALLY SIMULATED
ELEMENTS

Examiner: THOMAS H. STEVENS

Art Unit: 2123

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF
INTERVIEW

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Sir:

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview for this application conducted on February 25, 2005 to discuss objections and rejections raised in the Final Office Action dated November 23, 2004.

The interview participants were Examiner Thomas H. Stevens, Applicant's representative Sujit B. Kotwal (Reg. No. 43,336), and inventor Andrew Witkin.

Differences between the independent claims and Popovic ("Physical-based Motion Transformation" (1999)) (hereinafter "Popovic1999") were discussed. The differences are described in the Response being filed along with this Statement. Based upon the discussions, the Examiner agreed that the claims in the application were not taught or suggested by Popovic1999. Examiner indicated that the claims would be allowed.

Rejections under 35 USC 112 raised by the Examiner in the Final Office Action were discussed. The use of the word "threshold" in the claims was explained to the Examiner. Based upon the explanation, the Examiner indicated that the 112 rejections would be withdrawn.

Objections raised by the Examiner in the Final Office Action for Figs. 1a and 1b were discussed. The Examiner indicated that the objections would be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (650) 324-6365.

Respectfully submitted,



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